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**PATENT**

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Title: METHOD FOR A CABLE MODEM TO  
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**AMENDMENT D**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment D is being submitted with an RCE. In response to the final Office Action dated August 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated in the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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